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Sir:

AMENDMENT

Responsive to the Notice to Comply dated June 4, 2001, entry and consideration of the following amendments and remarks are requested.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Amend the specification as follows:

Page 22, delete the last paragraph, on line 26, and insert the following therefor:

--5' - tcgac gc agatct cacgtg atttaaat at - 3' (SEQ ID NO:1)--

Page 23. delete the paragraph on line 2, and insert the following therefor:

--3' - g cg tctaga gtgcac taaattta tagc - 5' (SEQ ID NO:2)--

Page 59, delete the paragraph at line 1 and insert the following new paragraph therefor: